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'BEARISH' IN HAWAII Stuffed life-sized teddy bears representing some of the leaders expected during the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (Apec) summit are pictured at Teddy Bear World in Honolulu, Hawaii, on Wednesday. The United States hosts this year's Apec forum with leaders from the 21 member economies convening on the island of Oahu on Nov. 12-13. Bears pictured are for (front, from left) Japanese Prime Minister Yoshihiko Noda, US President Barack Obama, Australian Prime Minister Julia Gillard, South Korean President Lee Myung-Bak and (back, from left) Mexican President Felipe Calderon, Canada's Prime Minister Stephen Harper, Chinese President Hu Jintao, New Zealand's Prime Minister John Key and Philippine President Benigno Aquino III. (See story on Page A6.) AFP

GMA 'asylum' bid probed

Destination Dominican Republic, says De Lima

By Marlon Ramos, Cathy C. Yamsuan and Christian V. Esguerra

JUSTICE Secretary Leila de Lima yesterday said she had asked the Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA) to look into "unverified information" that the government of the Dominican Republic had provided "passports" to former President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo and her family.

Speaking with reporters, De Lima raised the possibility that Arroyo and her husband, Jose Miguel "Mike" Arroyo, might seek political asylum if the Supreme Court allowed them to leave for abroad.

"Anything is possible. They can always do that," she said.

The "sinister plot" purportedly hatched by the Arroyo camp

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DEATH OF THE OSMEÑA MATRIARCH President Aquino (second from left) flew to Bacolod City to condole with the Osmeña family on the death of their mother Lourdes de la Rama-Osmeña, 90, wife of the late Sen. Sergio Osmeña Jr., at the Redemptorist Church on Thursday. Shown with the President are (from left) Cebu City Rep. Tomas Osmeña, Georgia Osmeña, Minnie Osmeña, Sen. Sergio Osmeña III and his wife Bettina Lopez and Transportation Secretary Mar Roxas. INTO PHOTOS / [illegible]

Mara's Turkish hubby: No one can touch us

By Penelope Endozo

"NO ONE can touch us."

This was the declaration of Engin Tuna Bulbuloglu, the Turkish husband of Ms. Ramona "Mara" Bautista, who fled to Turkey after she was implicated in the murder of her brother Ramgen.

"Nothing will come out of this incident. Everything is merely made up of allegations," Bulbuloglu told Turkish daily Vatan. An English translation was carried on the Hurriyet Daily News website on Tuesday.

On Nov. 7, a source privy to the family's affairs told the Inquirer that Bulbuloglu had ordered Mara to fly to Istanbul a day after the killing of her brother at the BF Homes subdivision in Parañaque City.

Mara married Bulbuloglu three years ago, causing her father great distress, according to the source, who also said that Mara had been in Manila for three months before the murder.

Bulbuloglu's statement was broadcast by Manila's networks yesterday as Dennis Manzanal, counsel for Mara and her brother Ramon Joseph "RJ," requested

MARA'S / A7

All signs point to smashing knockout win

By Francis TJ. Ochoa
Assistant Sports Editor

LAS VEGAS—With all the lessons he has learned in the art of fighting counterpunchers and all those days of training hard and studying his opponent's films, Manny Pacquiao is ready to explode.

"I'm so excited already," Pacquiao said. "Let's get it on."

And this three days before the fight.

With the promise of a vastly improved performance and a definitive end to one of the more compelling debates in boxing, the world's acknowledged pound-for-pound king is going all out against Juan Manuel Marquez on Saturday (Sunday in Manila) at the

ALL SIGNS / A18

Bishops urge 26 solons in Vegas: Don't gamble

By Jerome Aning and Cynthia D. Balana

EVEN Church leaders are in the know concerning the betting scheme for the third Pacquiao-Marquez thriller in Las Vegas this Saturday (Sunday in Manila).

And it only adds to their worries, as they see another wave of public officials flying to "Sin City" for the fight. A

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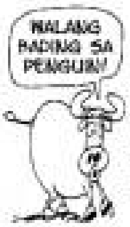
Why don't you go with us? Mike A dares P-Noy

By Marlon Ramos

JOSE Miguel "Mike" Arroyo has challenged President Aquino to go with him and his wife, former President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo, so they could prove that they had no intention of eluding justice by seeking medical treatment abroad for the latter's degenerative bone disease.

In an exclusive interview with the Inquirer on Wednesday night, Arroyo said the Aquino

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Toronto breaks up 'brokeback' penguins

TORONTO—Toronto's zoo is splitting up a pair of male penguins whose affection has drawn headlines and jokes about "Brokeback Iceberg."

The African penguins have shared the nest they built since coming to the zoo about a year ago. But since the penguins are an endangered species, zoo officials plan to separate Pedro and Buddy so they can mate with females.

The pair has what's known as a "social

TORONTO / A17

President exempts mines from total log ban

By Vincent Cabreza
Inquirer Northern Luzon

BAGUIO CITY—President Aquino has exempted the mining industry from the total log ban in exchange for obligating the industry to take part in the National Greening Program launched early this year.

Leo Jasareno, Mines and Geosciences Bureau (MGB) national director, said on Thursday that making decisions like this was the Aquino administration's way of making industry regulations more efficient and mining more acceptable to the public.

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BIR goes after Bulacan gold trader

By Marlon Ramos

THE LOCAL gold trade may just prove to be a gold mine for government revenue collectors.

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Pope names RH bill foe archbishop

By Jocelyn Uy and Jason Bagaoisan, Inquirer Visayas

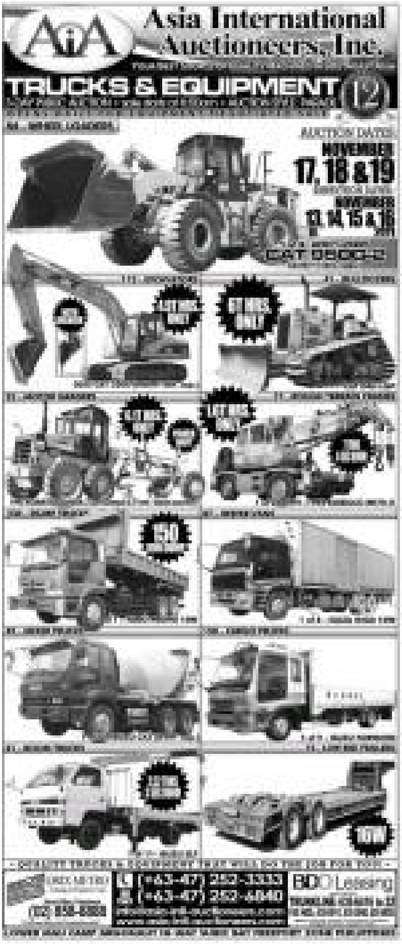
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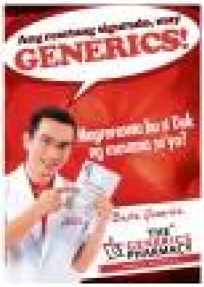
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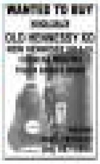




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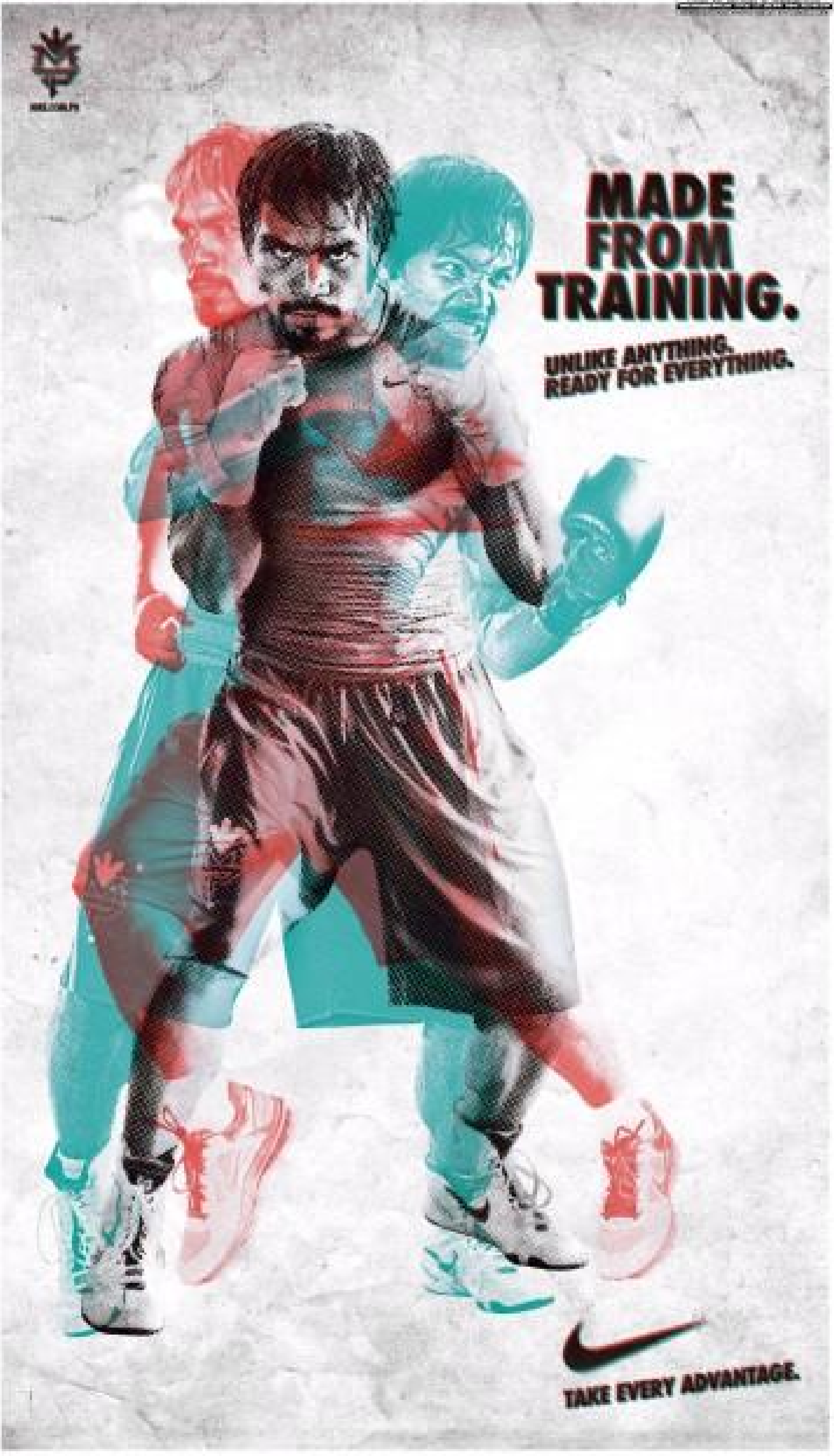








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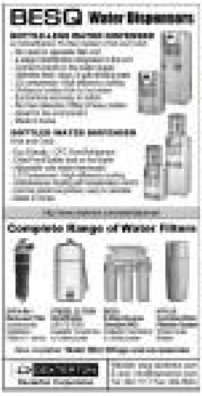
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P-Noy off to Hawaii today for Apec meet

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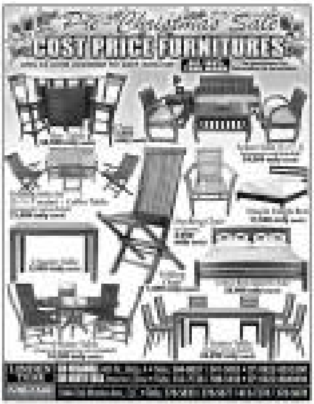
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Facilitators



Foreign ambassadors talk on how mining alleviates poverty

By Vincent Cabreza
Inquirer Northern Luzon

Contributions to economy

Use-it-or-lose-it

President . . .

Tree planting

Big bucks for environment

Impeach case vs P-Noy 'returned to sender'

THE FIRST impeachment complaint against President Aquino has been "returned to sender."























Manny ponders future outside, eyes Palace run

Multitasker

All signs point to smashing knockout win in 'best of trilogy'



PLAYFUL FOR NOW: Welterweight champion Manny Pacquiao and Juan Manuel Marquez playfully pose back to back at the MGM Grand Hollywood Theater during their final press conference in Las Vegas on Wednesday. The fighters will meet on Nov. 13 for the World Welterweight Championship fight at the MGM Grand Garden in Las Vegas.

Difference: fighting style

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Life after boxing

Best in trilogy

Marquez's style

Erasing all doubts

More complete fighter

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PNP guesses there are .6M loose guns

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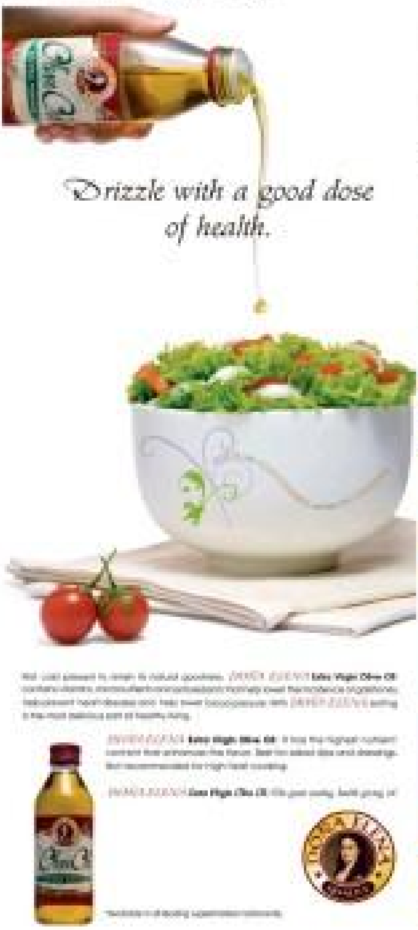
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₱100M readied for Diwalwal relocation

Artist puts Mayon closer to tourists' hearts

HOMETOWN *Snapshot*



"LEGEND OF MAYON" by Pancho Piano

DAVAO CITY—The Department of Environment and Natural Resources has allotted P100 million for the relocation of hundreds of families living in areas of Mt. Diwata, which are considered to be danger zones, an official said Wednesday.

NPA guns down 2nd suspect in murder of rebel leader's daughter



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SBMA execs say port deal in Subic now a go

SUBIC FREEPORT—The joint venture agreement between the Subic Bay Metropolitan Authority (SBMA) and Harbour Centre Port Terminal Inc. (HCPTI) to develop and maintain ports and wharves in Subic will push through on the strength of an opinion by the Office of the Government Corporate Counsel (OGCC), according to SBMA officials.

In a legal opinion, the OGCC concluded that the joint venture agreement between SBMA and HCPTI covering the Naval Supply Depot, Boton, Alava, Rivera and Bravo wharves and ports was above board.

Philip Camara, SBMA director, said the venture was approved by the previous SBMA board, which was composed of directors appointed by former President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo.

"Upon the foregoing, it is the considered view of this office that the JVA (Joint Venture Agreement) was signed in compliance with the JV (Joint Venture) guidelines and is consistent with the joint venture principles," said Government Corporate Counsel Raoul Creencia. The OGCC approval was necessary to enforce the venture deal.

In 2009, HCPTI sent SBMA an unsolicited proposal to develop and operate wharves and ports in the Subic freeport. In February 2010, the SBMA board approved and signed the venture agreement on condition that it would be subjected to a bidding in accordance with the joint venture guidelines.

However, no group submitted a bid that would match or surpass the HCPTI proposal, compelling the SBMA to proceed with the venture provided it was approved by OGCC.

Under that agreement, Harbour Centre will develop SBMA's Naval Supply Depot (NSD), a logistics center in the freeport where the US Navy used to store its supplies.

The joint venture deal would also give Harbour Centre the right to develop other areas in Subic, such as Boton, Alava, Rivera and Bravo ports. It also pledged some P4 billion worth of investments for the NSD project.

Tender documents state that P3 billion of this obligation would be spent on the improvement of the NSD area, while the remaining amount would be used to buy equipment.

HCPTI chair Reghis Romero II and HCPTI CEO Michael Romero signed the agreement in February 2010. The venture deal would last for 25 years, during which HCPTI guarantees SBMA a minimum of P500,000 a year.

The project would also require HCPTI to build warehouses, cold storage facilities, a food terminal and an oil depot inside the 17-hectare NSD area, making it a multipurpose terminal that can handle various types of cargo. *Robert Gonzaga, Inquirer Central Luzon*

Sta. Rosa mayor gets 'Lingkod Bayan' award

By Maricar Cinco
Inquirer Southern Luzon



EXECUTIVE Secretary Paquito Ochoa places the Lingkod Bayan medal on Mayor Arcillas during rites in Malacañang last Wednesday.
MALACAÑANG PHOTO

STA. ROSA CITY Mayor Arlene Arcillas was among this year's recipients of the Presidential 'Lingkod Bayan' award.

Arcillas, 41, was nominated by the Rotary Club of Sta. Rosa for her outstanding programs in public office, particularly the computerization of the city's tax collection system and the city government's environment projects.

It was during her first term as mayor in 2007 that the city adopted the computerized system of tax collection and mapping of real properties in the city. The advanced system, funded by the World Bank, is now fully operational during her second term.

Arcillas was also recognized for initiating water-related activities and ecological restoration projects in the city.

Sta. Rosa City was the first local government unit (LGU) in the first district of Laguna to adopt a long-term watershed program to preserve the city's underground water source.

The city also laid down plans to construct flood control facilities to be used especially during typhoons.

Arcillas, in a mail statement, said she was very honored to receive the award, which is conferred to "women and men for their outstanding work performance, contribution, and superior accomplishments or for their consistent manifestation of exemplary ethical behavior to the public service."

The awarding was held Wednesday.

Also a recipient of the Presidential 'Lingkod Bayan' award was Laguna Gov. Jeorge "ER" Ejercito.

Under Arcillas, the city also drafted an environment code with the World Wildlife Fund that became an ordinance last July 11, the 10th anniversary of Sta. Rosa's cityhood.

Among its provisions are a ban on smoking in all public places and inside public utility vehicles, the setting up of ecoparks in all villages and restrictions in the use and sale of plastic and non-biodegradable materials.

PEOPLE

30,000 villagers flee floods in Davao Norte

TAGUM CITY—Heavy rains since Tuesday turned more than a dozen villages in Davao del Norte into virtual water worlds, officials said yesterday.

In the rice-producing town of Carmen alone, waist-deep water dumped by the swollen Lasang River drove about 30,000 people from 16 villages to safer grounds, Dionisio Valle, municipal administrator, said.

"Hectares of rice lands were also submerged," Valle said.

He said the water level in some areas subsided as of yesterday but majority of the flooded villages remained under knee-deep water.

"We were surprised by the severity of Tuesday's flooding even if Carmen is considered a flood-prone area. In the last six years, this was the heaviest yet," Valle said.

He said officials were thankful nobody died or was harmed in the flooding.

Valle said the local government was preparing to declare the municipality under a state of calamity.

This, he said, would facilitate the speedy release of needed funds for relief efforts.

Sonny Sanchez, Davao del Norte disaster risk management officer, said in Braulio Dujali town, some 1,500 people were also driven from their homes by rising flood waters.

Floods were also reported in some areas of Panabo City, Sanchez said.

He said the amount of damage wrought by the floods has yet to be ascertained.

The Philippine Atmospheric Geophysical and Astronomical Services Administration said bad weather may last until the weekend and floods should be expected in low-lying areas of Southern Mindanao. *Frinston L. Lim, Inquirer Mindanao*

Illegal coco lumber trade seen in slay of PCA exec

By Delfin T. Mallari Jr.
Inquirer Southern Luzon

LUCENA CITY—Authorities are investigating the possible link between rampant illegal coconut lumber trading in Quezon and the killing of a top Philippine Coconut Authority (PCA) official in the province.

Noelito Pajaron, 61, was killed on Tuesday by motorcycle-riding suspects on a national highway here as he drove his way to work. Police said a .45 caliber pistol was used to kill Pajaron.

His killing came on the same day that police in the province launched a campaign against motorcycle crimes.

Ed de Luna, former PCA Calabarzon director, said the killing of Pajaron, could be related to the illegal coconut lumber trade in Quezon.

"That is one angle worth pursuing," De Luna said by phone on Wednesday.

De Luna said syndicates involved in the illegal coco lumber trade "have a history of violence against anyone who gets in their way."

The former PCA official said he, too, received several death threats during his tenure as PCA regional director during which a campaign against illegal coco lumber trading was ongoing.

Joselito Abanuna, current PCA Calabarzon head, said he, too, has been receiving death threats believed related to the illegal coco lumber trade.

In 2006, radio broadcaster Rev. Rizon was also killed in an ambush perpetrated by motorcycle-riding men. Rizon's commentaries against illegal coco lumber syndicates could be the reason for the killing, police had said.

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GIANT ATTRACTION

Workers put on the trimmings of one of the country's tallest Christmas trees—a [illegible] attraction—at the Araneta Center in Cubao, Quezon City. For some people in the area, mostly children, the lighting of the tree marks the official start of the holiday season.

1 dead, 9 hurt in faulty fun ride

By Nina Calleja

A FUN ride at a carnival turned into a horrifying experience after after a loose screw in a kiddie roller coaster caused one of the coaches to detach itself from the rest of the ride, leaving a man dead and nine others injured.

The accident happened at 9:45 p.m. on Wednesday in a small roadside carnival at the corner of McArthur Highway and San Pablo Street in Barangay Karuhatan, Valenzuela City.

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Ride operator, carnival owner flee

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MMDA cracks down on errant bus firms

Bus driver in Estella case pleads not guilty

By Julie M. Aurelio

Houses, school library razed in Caloocan fire

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West seeks expanded sanctions on Iran

PARIS/MOSCOW—Western leaders called on Wednesday for expanded sanctions against Iran over a UN watchdog report that it has worked to design atom bombs, but veto-wielder Russia indicated it would block new measures at the UN Security Council.

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Russians fight to save Mars probe after mishap

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By Francis T.J. Ochoa



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By Francis T.J. Ochoa

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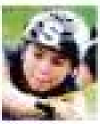
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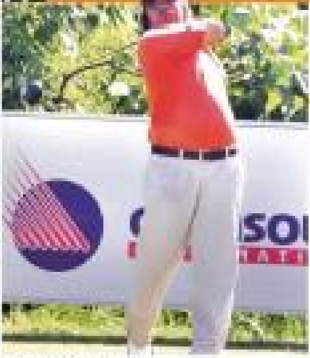
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Sabong TV debuts on Studio 23

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MURAKAMI: Set up despite putting woes

Murakami keeps lead

Fil-German hangs tough in Smart-ITF

Patrombon gains q'finals

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BUSINESS

Worldwide slump pulls down PH exports

Sept. shipments dipped 27% as traders rued weak electronics demand

THE COUNTRY'S export earnings plunged by more than a quarter in September 2011 as shipments of top export electronics were nearly halved from that of the same month in 2010, the National Statistics Office (NSO) yesterday reported.

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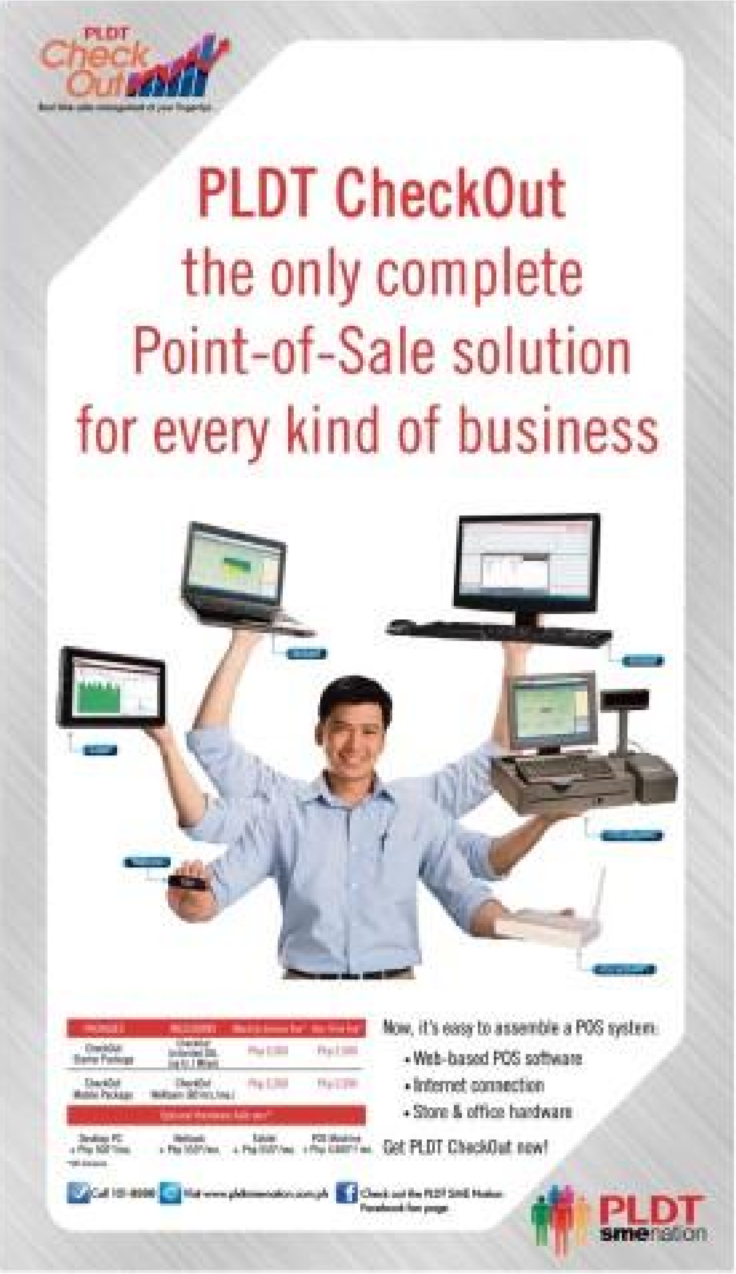
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FDI inflow plunged 55% in August



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FPH signs P4.8 B corporate notes facility agreement

First Philippine Holdings Corporation (FPH) signed a P4.8 billion corporate notes facility agreement with BDO Capital and Investment Corporation and several financial institutions consisting of Banco De Oro Unibank, Inc., Maybank Philippines, Inc., Rizal Commercial Banking Corporation and Union Bank of the Philippines.

This new facility provides FPH with more flexibility and allows execution of identified strategic initiatives in possible growth opportunities such as indigenous power and property development.

The P4.8 billion floating rate corporate notes will mature in 2018. FPH will use this to repay in full the US$26.6 million and the PHP3.2 billion outstanding principal of the 2007 dual currency floating rate notes.

"FPH is taking advantage of the improved bank appetite as well as of debt market conditions by refinancing its dual currency floating rate notes maturing in 2012 and 2014, in order to extend loan maturity timetables and smoothen out repayment schedules," FPH chief finance officer Francis Giles B. Puno said.

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Tanduay eyes P1.8B from equity sale









Business



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GMA sees ₱1-B dip in income

Cut in ad placements upsets network's growth prospects

By Paolo G. Montecillo

CUTS in the advertising budgets of multinational corporations had badly affected the profit growth of broadcast giant GMA Network Inc.

The company now expects its full-year income to fall short by as much as P1 billion.

Earlier this year, GMA said it would aim to match last year's net income of P3 billion.

But officials on Wednesday said the final figure could be closer to P2 billion.

For the quarter ending in September, profits declined by 9.9 percent to P525 million. For the January to September period, the figure was at P1.58 billion—down 50 percent year-on-year due to the absence of political advertisements that provided a windfall in the first five months of 2010.

"We are down from last year. If you sum up what we've been able to do in the last nine months, the best we can achieve by the end of the year is a net income of about P2 billion," GMA chief financial officer Felipe S. Yalong told reporters.

Officials said cutbacks by multinational firms coupled with tepid domestic economic growth caused by government underspending were the main reasons behind the company's sluggish performance.

"Unfortunately, there were financial crises that happened in the United States, and are still happening in Europe," GMA chair Felipe Gozon said, referring to the earlier debt ceiling debates in Washington and the lingering threat of a possible Greek default.

"The decisions of multinationals operating in the Philippines are made abroad," Gozon said, adding that placements by big companies like Unilever and Procter & Gamble make up a "big portion" of the industry's ad revenues.

A recent AC Nielsen monitoring report likewise showed a drop in total media advertising revenues for the months of September and October, triggered by crises abroad, he noted.

Based on AGB Nielsen's survey for the first week of October, GMA maintained a lead in nationwide ratings with an average audience share of 36.8 percent, higher than rival ABS-CBN's 28.7 percent.



NOV HIFI SHOW

The November HiFi Show, the premier hi-end audio and video exhibition in the Philippines has a new home at the Dusit Thani Hotel Makati. [illegible]

FMIC net profit up 31.6% year-on-year

By Doris C. Dumlao

FIRST Metro Investment Corp., the investment banking arm of the Metrobank group, grew its net profit in the first nine months by 31.6 percent year-on-year to P1.8 billion on robust treasury earnings. [illegible]

Ayala tech unit registered rise in Q3 revenue

INTEGRATED Micro-electronics Inc., the electronics manufacturing unit of the Ayala group, posted a 67-percent year-on-year drop in consolidated net income to $3.6 million as higher material and direct labor costs gnawed at operating margins. [illegible]

Doris C. Dumlao

Shares trade lower

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Business

Vehicle sales down 2.4% in 10 mo

PH auto assemblers facing new challenges, Campi says

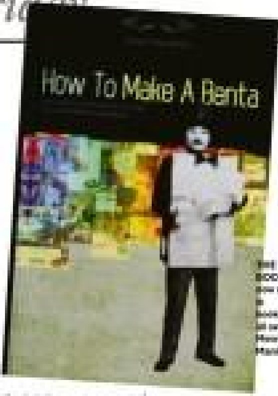
Smart mobile money platform wins award

BUSINESS Friday

How to make a 'benta'



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Candle company opens artsy café in Lipa





THE CARSTENSEN family— Marius, Dr. Marichu and Sophie.



UNIQUE chairs for sale



CANDLELIGHT Café outside

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'Why not drop selling from our budget and put it on advertising?'

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Dr. Ned Roberto & Andy Roberto

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Investors sought for 51 'funding-ready' projects

Conference to highlight key investment destinations in Luzon



DOMINGO



Business

Dutch company eyes ethanol facility in PH

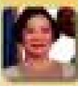
Proposed plant to be biggest in Asia

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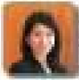
PNOC honors energy industry trailblazers
















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Member from the Philippines and the United States have come together for various activities to celebrate a joint reunion of the Tau Alpha Sigma (TAS) fraternity and the Sigma Delta Sigma (SDG) sorority. Some members and guests are shown in photo at a welcome dinner at the Makati (Sports) Club. Founded 46 years ago at the University of the East as exclusive organizations of honor students in Accountancy, TAS and SDG members have become prominent professionals in all sectors of the accounting profession in many parts of the world. The Grand Gala Night of the reunion will be held at the Hotel InterContinental in Makati on November 11.

Industry players seek voice in Tourism Congress

Business

Philippines' debt stock rose to ₱4.79T as of Aug.

Each Filipino's share of the country's burden rises to P50,141

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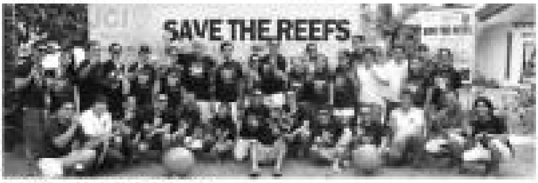
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People Events & Products

PLDT KaAsenso, Ng Khai and Intel tie up to promote technopreneurship in Cebu



SM Prime and Ayala Land shine at APREA Awards



JCI MANILA LAUNCHES 'SEA OF LIFE'

Weekend warriors battle it out at the first-ever Startup Weekend Manila



Hotel 878: Home away from home

JEITA skills workshop set Nov. 15

T.G.I.Friday's unveils new flagship store

Kraft Foods' Go Green program earns award

Crisis in Italy spurs fears of euro zone breakup

Angela Merkel calls for breakthrough on major debt crisis, 'new Europe'

Asia-Pacific talks to seek unity on euro crisis

Japan mood sinks; tough Q4 expected



INDONESIA'S Telkomsel workers

Thai confidence hit 10-year low in October

Asian shares drop as bond yields push Italy to the brink

Transforming rhetoric into reality

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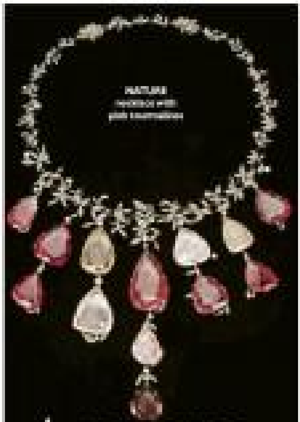
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Editor: Thelma Sioson San Juan
Contributing Editors: Jenni Epperson and Ria Francisco-Prieto

LIFESTYLE Fashion & Beauty





A romance with colored gemstones

Nature inspires H. Stern's latest jewelry collections



By Carmencita S. Simon
Contributor

JEWELRY HAS always been a perennial style staple, since women first tried on their mother's pearls.

As women continue this love affair with jewelry, H.Stern continues to look to the past for inspiration, and imagine the future to create timeless yet contemporary pieces.

Colorful success story

Founded in 1945 by Hans Stern, the brand started from a small gemstone trading business in Rio de Janeiro, and has flourished into a colorful success story offering fine jewelry and promoting the exotic beauty and value of gemstones such as tourmalines, topazes, amethysts and citrines—gems Stern had always loved.

Hans eventually passed on his legacy to his eldest son Roberto, president and chief designer, who sought new sources of creative inspiration through nature, architecture, history and culture, and strived to reinterpret the brand's image by putting more value on the jewelry's design than the stones used, so each piece could reflect the customer's lifestyle and desires.

This season, H.Stern captures nature's charm through their colored gemstone collections: Garden, Spring and Moonlight.

Garden features stones in varying shades, from pale yellow to glowing orange, and in pastel tones featuring amethysts, rutilated and smoky quartzes set in 18K yellow or noble gold in unique alloys of metals creating a new and rare that's neither white nor yellow gold, with diamond and sapphire accents.

Another feminine collection is Spring, in which stones are cut in organic shapes to keep the designs natural and fluid.

For a more vintage and romantic appeal, H.Stern's Moonlight collection seals the deal with aquamarine and crystal gems in various sizes spruced up with the brand's trademark 18K noble gold.

Unlikely inspirations

In keeping with H.Stern's artisanship and quality, the brand makes one necklace distinct from another by adding a unique detail on each piece.

ROMANCE C2



Safety napkin becomes fashion must-have

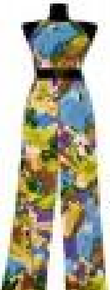




MONOCHROMATIC cocktail dress







'70s-INSPIRED jumpsuit



A wearable kind of fashion 'mixology'

At The Ramp, mixing and matching pieces that work allows you to express yourself

Modest prices

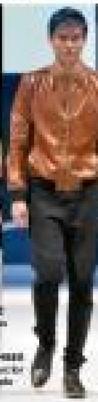


ADULT styles for kids













COLOR BLOCK trend

A romance with colored gemstones















Celebrate the Grandest Tree Lighting Ceremony with the Kapamilya Stars at SM Mall of Asia!

A Christmas like no other is happening at SM Mall of Asia this Yuletide season! With almost a thousand shopping, dining and leisure choices, these make this mall by the Manila Bay an unparalleled Manila holiday destination. The country's only megamall is a shopping mecca that has fashion options absolutely thrilling every fashionista and stylista in the metro. MOA has brought to the Philippines' doorstep a collection of the world's best brands – Zara, Mango, Mugi, Topshop, Gap, Lacoste, Aldo, Charles and Keith, plus a whole lot more, for its shoppers to enjoy. At MOA, the season's choicest and most favored trends are unveiled, and fashion predictions rest.

In the dining scene, MOA offers a gastronomic experience with choices that range from international and local cuisines to innovative fusion dishes. Everyday meals become extra special not only with the delightful delicious dishes served by the restaurants at MOA but also with the breathtaking ambience of establishments located at SM by the Bay. Diners enjoy the culinary wonders cooked up in some of the best kitchens in the country, enhanced by the magnificent sunset and the fresh ocean breeze. MOA goes beyond expectations by continuing to offer one-of-a-kind attractions to bring to its shoppers the world-class malling experience.

The country's premier lifestyle mall is giving you a truly wonderful Christmas with **Christmas Winter Wonderworld**, an annual celebration of smiles and holiday cheers. This magical tradition of grandiose proportions is orchestrated to amaze and amuse everyone who chooses to celebrate their holidays at the top destination mall by the bay!

Watch as the hottest Kapamilya stars join The Grand Tree Lighting Ceremony on November 11 at 5 PM. Exciting performances from Nikki Gil and Karylle with the G. Force dancers, Jed Madela, Diego Castro, Sacha, Bruno Sepulveda, Zia Pa..., Jessy Bolivar, Khalil Ramos and Mecedes Trio of PGT and Nina await in this spectacular event. Join Lucy Torres-Gomez and Richard Gomez as they light SM MOA's Grand Christmas Tree and listen to the heart-warming symphonies of Mandaluyong Children's Choir for the finale.

Bring the whole family over to enjoy the beautiful sights of the **The Grand Festival of Lights** happening on November 26 to December 23 (all Saturdays), the marvelous sounds of **The Symphony of Angels** (all weekends) while catching Santa and his cheerful little naughty elves granting your Christmas wish! This year, it's bigger and livelier as we proudly bring you the winter magic at SM MOA's first ever **Santa Snowville** (open daily).

This Christmas, find everything at MOA – from music, lights, colors, spectacular sights, good food and company, the best holiday attractions, and amazing events that are undeniably unique. Come and celebrate with us in this season of hope and love – and say for yourself why no other mall comes close!





On the 11th of November 2011, SM Mall of Asia marks the beginning of Christmas with the lighting of the **Grand Christmas Tree** and the unveiling of the most unique attraction in this side of the metro – SM MOA's **Santa Snowville**. Catch the *Kapamilya* stars as they join in this spectacular event. Come and join the Yuletide cheers as we continue to bring you unique and exciting activities this holiday season!

Holiday Mall Hours

December 7 to 30 10AM to 11PM
Except on Nov 26, Dec 3, 10, 16 to 23 10AM to 12MN
December 24 & 31 10AM to 8PM
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LIFESTYLE *Fashion&Beauty*



Vintage Pinoy jewelry with a contemporary twist

Riqueza combines heritage and style


ERICA Concepcion-Reyes

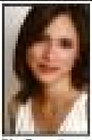
FULL NAME: Erica Castaneda Monte Concepcion-Reyes

Occupation: "I design and produce a line of limited-edition fashion accessories and jewelry, under the brand name Riqueza."

Where do you get your inspiration?

I find inspiration in people, books, fashion and travel. I get inspired when I read about the inspiration and extensive jewelry collections of glamorous women such as Elizabeth Taylor.

KNOCKOUT!


Ria Francisco-Prieto

What materials do you work with? Where do you get them?

I enjoy working with well-crafted and antique vintage materials and traditional Filipino components. It is always exciting to work with these materials because there is always something new to learn and discover. The idea behind Riqueza is to use vintage materials and components, combining them with materials ranging from crystals and beads to semiprecious stones... working them into unique designs that echo the richness of decades past.

Do you work with anyone?

I am very fortunate to be collaborating with Ramon Villegas of Tesoro [illegible] & Crafts. A fourth generation jeweler, Villegas is the expert and a collector of antique jewelry having written three books on the subject, which were reviewed in Arts of Asia (Hong Kong) and Vogue Gioielli India, among others. He was interviewed on the subject by [illegible] for "CNN Style." Ramon's atelier not only restored antiques that went to museums here and abroad, but his atelier has executed jewelry for [illegible] and [illegible] through [illegible] of Milan, Italy, the Ateneo jewelry collections and silver sculptures of National Artist Arturo Luz, jewelry designs by the gold collector [illegible] de Santos, [illegible] for National Artist

VINTAGE D2


CARVED [illegible] earrings



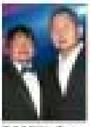
















Diva Kuh Ledesma steals limelight at Oliver Tolentino's gala

WITHOUT BATTING AN EYELASH

Monique Arcache





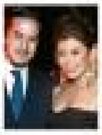


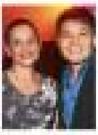














Award for Century Tuna

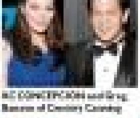
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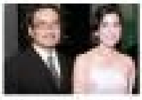














CARVED green Bloria earrings with seedpearl tassels



Vintage Pinoy jewelry with a contemporary twist











LIFESTYLE Fashion & Beauty

The principles of traveling in style

Working with a style theme and planning outfits in advance will help make you a chic jet-setter



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Amina Aranaz-Alunan



A-LINE

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Have a travel style theme

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Make every piece count

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Plan ahead for each day and activity

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Mix and match

[illegible]

Statement pieces

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Good pieces and fabrics

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Monochromatic wardrobe + a pop of color

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THE PRINCIPLES E4

For this achiever–'solids, never patterns'



GRANT Lim of Home Studio

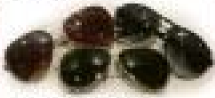


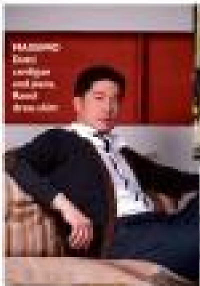
For accents, Grant Lim goes for watches and shades–'shades make the man'

THE WORKING CLASS



Style influences



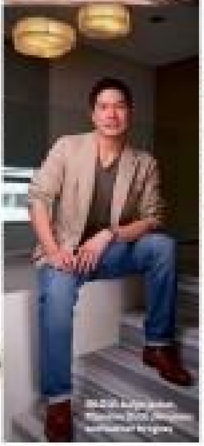




GRANT in Boracay



FROM his Cartier watch collection



Respectable dressing

Bejeweled pyxes, crosses and minaudieres–jewelry inspired by Romanov excesses

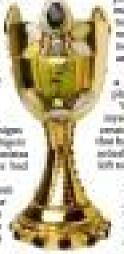


Joyce Makitalo's new collection is 'about all the opulence locked up in castles, churches, temples'



Continuation





New career

'Tis the season to be elegant

By Luis Carlo San Jose

Avon Fashions showcases its holiday jewelry collections featuring collaborations with the House of Ungaro, jewelry designers Shaill Jhaveri, and Marisa Polito.

UNGARO PARISIENNE BLOOM COLLECTION





UNGARO PARISIENNE BLOOM NECKLACE



UNGARO PARISIENNE BLOOM BRACELET



UNGARO PARISIENNE BLOOM RING

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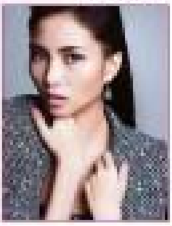
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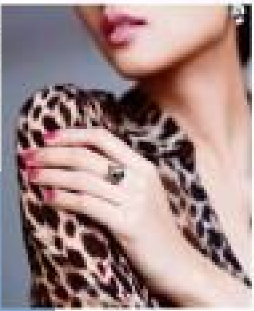
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LEATHER ESSENTIALS





These TV, speakers, earphones are functional art at their finest

Screen time







Audiophile's dream

A Tony Stark lifestyle



Pacquiao-Marquez live

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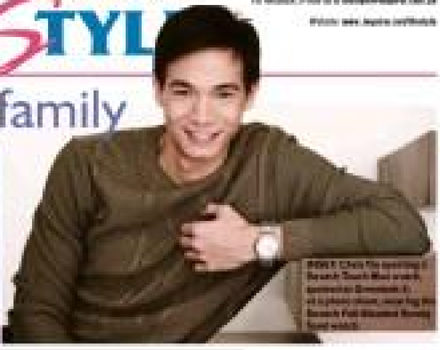
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5 must-have travel style essentials

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Chris Tiu joins Swatch family





What's on your wristmas list?

Swatch Full-Blooded Watches



Smoky Black

Smoky Gray

Smoky Brown

Smoky Sand

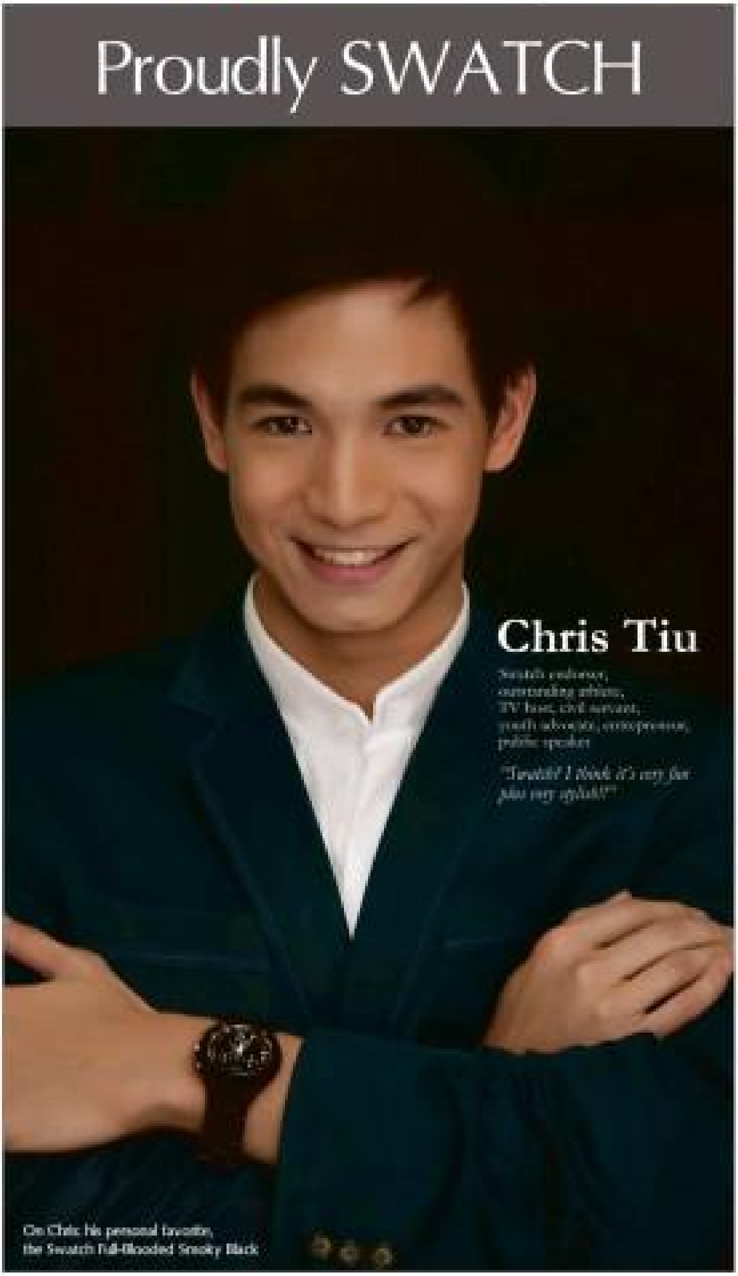
Smoky Blue



Navy

Burgundy

Mint



On Chris: his personal favorite, the Swatch Full-Blooded Smoky Black

MTV empowers the youth to fight modern-day slavery

'It's scary to think that, while most of us are living free and enjoying our youth, others are being forced into all kinds of illegal labor'





Ray of hope

Youth empowerment

Not for sale

How you can help

Bootie lovin'

These boots aren't just made for walking; they won the prestigious Red Dot Award for Product Design



GIRLY APPEAL



GRAPHIC TOUCH

Rock, paper, scissors–PSID students create sustainable space

Imagine a bedroom made of rubber interiors, a bathroom made of bamboo, a living room made using old newspapers and magazines



Ingenious materials

Creative spaces

Sun, surf and sounds with Donavon Frankenreiter

A weekend of riding the waves and learning life lessons from a surfer-musician





Music and surfing

Weekend of fun

Giving back



DREAM CAR? DREAM NO MORE!

Win one of two Mercedes-Benz luxury sedans in EastWest Bank's 'Dream Big Win Big' raffle promo

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Your dream Our focus

Who has not dreamed of driving a car that features exceptional performance and unequaled luxury? Through EastWest Bank's biggest bankwide promo offering, the 'Dream Big Win Big' raffle promo, your dream car is within easy reach.

Five prizes that are closest to the Filipino dream are at stake in the grand draw: a one-bedroom condominium unit with parking space at The Beaufort in Bonifacio Global City, two top-of-the-line Mercedes-Benz cars: the C180 Avantgarde and the S300, and up to P1.7 million in cash prizes.

This promo is in line with EastWest Bank's fresh direction to help its clients achieve their dreams as summed up by its new tagline, "Your Dream-Our Focus."

YOUR DREAM MERCEDES-BENZ

Take a look at the two dream cars that EastWest's 'Dream Big Win Big' promo has in store.

Rich in European heritage and remarkable in form, the Mercedes-Benz C-Class and S-Class are masterpieces in automotive engineering and design. Both deliver superb performance on top of great looks.

The drive and safety systems in the new-generation Mercedes-Benz C-Class offer the comfort, efficiency and safety of luxury vehicles that set the standards in its class. The C-Class is the highest-selling model series and the unbeaten world leader in its segment.

With its superb aerodynamics, the C-Class glides through the wind better than most compact cars. Its sporty, high-quality interior showcases a restyled dashboard, an enhanced trim concept, and a control panel with new-generation communication and information keys with high-gloss inserts. What's even better, this model consumes up to 31 percent less fuel without compromising power with its BlueEFFICIENCY engines.

On the other hand, the Mercedes-Benz S-Class is ranked as the world's best-selling luxury flagship sedan, reiterating its claim as the benchmark for automotive achievement. Its engine range includes up-to-date engines that generate the same powerful output at seven percent less fuel consumption.

With high safety standards typical of the S-Class, it offers a combination of new camera driver assistance systems as well as innovations such as attention assist for drowsiness detection and adaptive high beam assist. With its ground-breaking technology, first-class comfort and trailblazing systems, this flagship model is considered a pioneer in automotive development, making it the worldwide market leader.

HOW TO WIN BIG WITH EASTWEST

Before the grand draw, there are six monthly draws where EastWest Bank clients can win exciting gadgets. Customers can earn raffle points through various ways:

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- Settle bills through EastWest's Internet banking and earn tickets for every accumulated payment of P2,500.
- Depositors who increase and maintain their month-to-date average-daily-balance by P50,000 earn a corresponding raffle point.
- Trust clients also have the chance to reap more on top of their regular investment returns every time they reach the minimum required fund to earn raffle points.

Drive on to your dream with EastWest's Dream Big Win Big raffle promo.

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Mercedes-Benz

ENTERTAINMENT





BERNARDO Bernardo (center), writer-director of the Tagalog rendition of "The Romance of Magno Rubio," with actors Frederick Edwards and Jet Montelibano

'The Romance of Magno Rubio'

ONLY IN HOLLYWOOD



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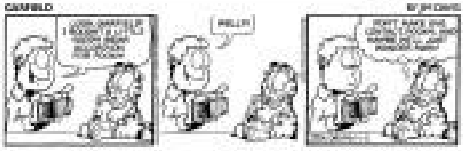
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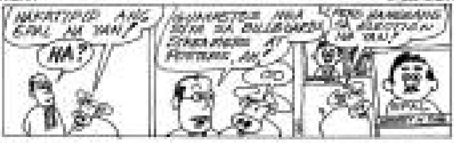




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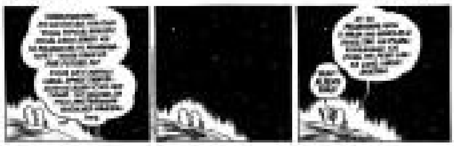




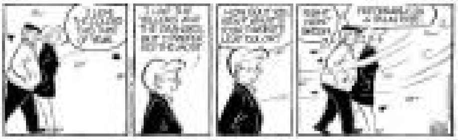
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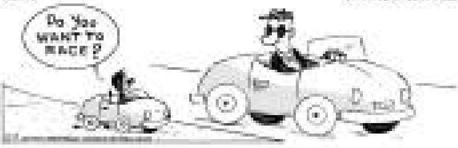
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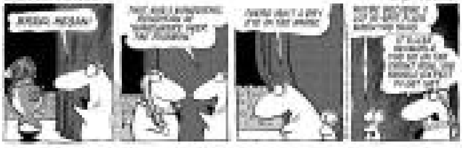
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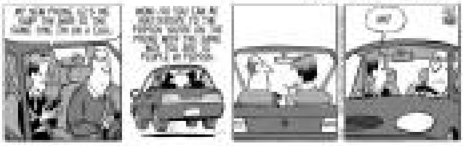
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SHERMAN'S LAGOON — BY JIM TOOMEY



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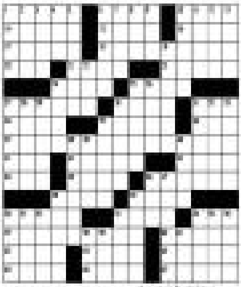
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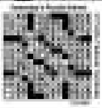
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Program launched by Film Academy of the Philippines as an answer to the high cost of studying filmmaking

By Marinel R. Cruz

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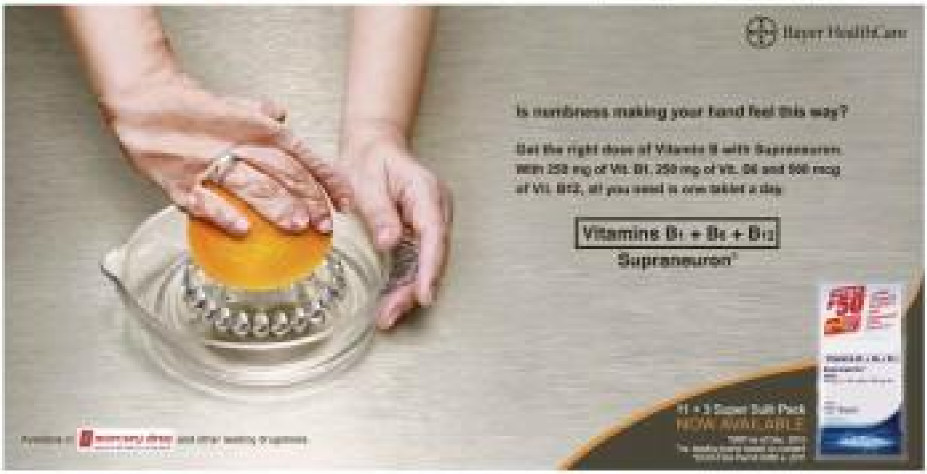
'The Romance of Magno Rubio'







Rave review



ENTERTAINMENT

Stork brings Songbird a 'light' baby boy



REGINE and Ogie are proud parents to 6.4-pound Nathaniel James.

By Bayani San Diego Jr.

AFTER a series of tragedies, local showbiz gets a dose of good news, as the Songbird gets visited by the stork.

Singer-actress Regine Velasquez gave birth to a baby boy on Monday night, according to show manager Carol Velasquez.

Husband Ogie Alcasid said his son, named Nathaniel James, was born 7:47 p.m. "He's 6.4 pounds," he told Inquirer Entertainment via SMS. "He's a light baby because he wasn't

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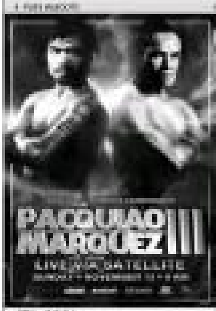
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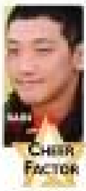


ROCKSTEDDY

Oprah's philanthropy earns her honorary Oscar



Stork brings Songbird...



Warrior Rain reigns

THE 1st PHILIPPINE GLOBAL HEALTHCARE FORUM

The Philippines as an Emerging Global Hub for Healthcare

November 11, 2011
Auditorium, New NKTI Diagnostic Center
Theme: "Towards Global Competitiveness and Sustainability"

By Marlet D. Salazar

The Philippines now boasts of state-of-the-art hospitals and a number of wellness centers that can cater to local and foreign patients. The expertise of healthcare professionals has been constantly defended by their respective organizations and associations.

And yet, the country's medical tourism (or what many call now as medical travel) hasn't really taken off.

It is probably the best time for medical travel to lift off especially now that the world is shifting its sights on Asia. Neighboring Asian countries like India, Malaysia and Thailand have benefited quite significantly in medical travel.

According to Jayne Sousa-Alamon, executive director and chief strategist of HealthCORE, this is the main objective of the 1st Philippine Global Health Forum happening today at the new NKTI Diagnostic Center in Quezon City.

HealthCORE is a private corporation that serves as resource center for global healthcare management and medical tourism research and communications in the Philippines.

Lost income

"The Philippines is missing out on this opportunity to show what we've got when it comes to medical travel," she said, "and the government and private healthcare sectors cannot benefit from the income this could bring."

Alamon shared that Thailand's Bumrungrad Hospital was among the first to hike a slice of medical travel right after the Asian financial crisis in 1997.

"Based on our research, Malaysia received 395,000 patients last year and aiming to reach 1 million in 2015 through Malaysia Healthcare Council," Alamon said. "South Korea is looking at receiving 200,000 foreign patients by next year."

In terms of income, "India is projected to experience revenue growth from [illegible] billion in 2011 to [illegible] billion in 2020."

At present there are only a handful of hospitals that have international accreditations that can entice medical tourists to come to the Philippines. At the 1st Philippine Global Health Forum, one session ("How Accreditation Improves Healthcare System of a Nation and the Hospital Organization") is dedicated to the benefits of getting accreditation.

Accreditation is a stamp that the hospital has passed—and is maintaining—global standards. If a country is looking at boosting its medical travel sector, getting accreditation is just one of the steps, according to Alamon.

But it's not only hospitals and healthcare professionals that need to step up the game.

Immigrants

A tourist would need many reassurance when they avail themselves of the Philippines' medical expertise. Alamon said that a regular tourist may spend $700 for an 8-night stay. When that amount is multiplied to [illegible] balikbayans the country received in 2010, that is about [illegible] million or [illegible] billion.

But a medical travel will spend $2,000 in two weeks for medical expenses, accommodations, transportation, and probably a side trip to one of the tourist destinations. That is about [illegible] million or [illegible] billion. The difference is mind-boggling.

Alamon said that balikbayans are the main target market for the country's medical travel industry because they have every reason to come back to the country. The United States would be the biggest market with 5 million Filipino immigrants, she said.

Among the many challenges in medical tourism is documenting the number of actual medical traveller entering the country. When foreign patients or balikbayans apply for a visa, many would just declare the visa as leisure and not for medical travel.

Another challenge that Alamon sees is the Philippines' image problem to other nations. As a developing country, there could be doubts among foreigners that the Philippines may lack proper and high-standard facilities. There might also be some legal issues. "The consumer must abide by the healthcare destination's law in the event of bad outcomes/complications after treatment."

By gathering healthcare and travel experts in the 1st Philippine Global Health Forum, people behind HealthCORE hope to find answers and solutions to that stunt medical travel in the country.

"We gathered experts in conversation of healthcare, trade and tourism and customized the forum discussion so it

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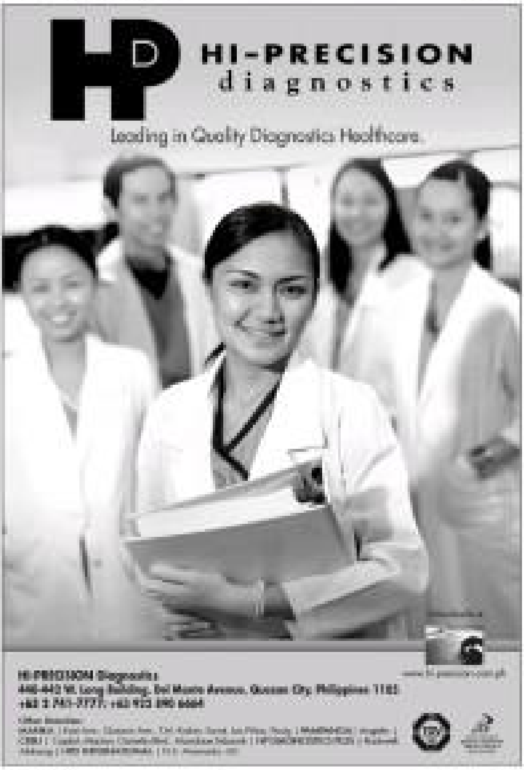
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Philippine Medical Tourism Compendium 2011:

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What should the Philippines do to speed up its growth as a medical tourism or health-care travel destination? How do we transform healthcare from an economic burden to a driver for economic growth?

How will medical tourism affect Filipino doctors, nurses and patients? How do we upgrade the country's healthcare system to meet international standards and provide medical services to more Filipinos?

These questions and more are answered in the recently published report, "The Philippine Medical Tourism Compendium 2011 (Facts, Figures and Strategies)" by HealthCORE Research, Communications & Management, Inc.

The Philippine Medical Tourism Compendium 2011 is the most comprehensive, reliable, credible and up-to-date report on the Philippine healthcare system in the context of the global healthcare economy. The report contains facts, statistics, analysis of data and recommendations that are useful to public and private entities with a stake in the healthcare sector, who wish to participate in the global healthcare economy.

The report is a valuable resource for stakeholders in the healthcare and travel sector, government agencies, public officials, policy-makers, strategists and entrepreneurs who wish to know the "secrets" to maximizing the economic and social benefits that the Philippines stands to gain by becoming a regional hub for medical travel.

Topics in the report include: Economic and Social Benefits of Medical Tourism; Global Trends in Medical Tourism; Size and Growth of the Global Market; The Role of Market Influencers; A New Model Recognizing Market Segments and Categories; Industry Profile of Philippine Medical Facilities; Supply and Quality of Philippine Medical Professionals; Competitive Strengths of the Philippines; and much more.

The Philippine Medical Tourism Compendium (Facts, Figures and Strategies) is published by HealthCORE Research, Communications & Management, Inc. For more information, please call [illegible] or email info@healthcore.com.ph.



Why Is The Philippines The Heart of Asia?

A Handy Travel Guide Lets Us Know

Filipino medical and spa professionals are renowned the world over for their competence, knowledge and skill and uniquely, the level of compassionate care they extend to patients and clients.

Now a handy easy to use travel guide to fully experience the Heart of Asia and the health and wellness it brings is now available. Those seeking for health and wellness now have the basic information they need in search of world class Filipino medical and wellness services by getting a free copy of "Philippines: The Heart of Asia" (Health and Wellness Travel Guide and Directory).

The slim, full-color, attractively designed booklet contains basic information -including maps and directory information- and practical advice useful to international and local travelers who are on a health and wellness journey, and even for visitors who simply wish to have the option to go to the most suitable places for rest, relaxation and rejuvenation. Furthermore, the directory containing information on the country's best hospitals will be useful to travelers going from urban centers to various islands throughout the Philippines.

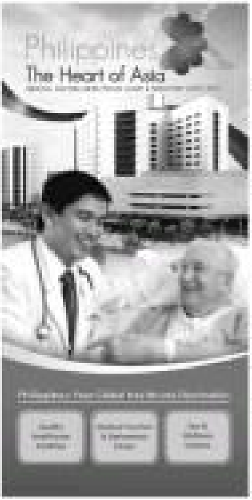
It's also a handy guide in case of emergencies, in case you or your companion would need quick medical assistance. "Philippines: The Heart of Asia" is a must for all who are traveling to the Philippines.

The booklet also offers revealing insights and interesting trivia about the Philippines: its culture, history, its world-class hospitals, spas and clinics, and the centuries-old tradition for wellness and healing that all Filipinos are steeped in.

Published by HIM Communications, "Philippines: The Heart of Asia" is now distributed worldwide and available in selected National Bookstore branches.

Soon to be released is the country's first "Medical & Wellness Travel Map" featuring different areas in the Philippines. The first issue focuses on Makati City and its various establishments for health and wellness and a list of tourism spots and helpful information that a medical traveler needs to know.

For copies and other information, call HIM Communications, Inc. at telephone numbers [illegible] or email info@himcommunications.com



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Our apologies.

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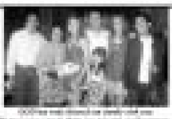
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